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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Region V
77 West Jackson Boulevard
Chicago, Illinois 60604-3590

Dear Mr. Muno:

## Re: Albion-Sheridan Township Landfill

This correspondence shall constitute Decker Manufacturing, Inc.'s ("Decker") notice of its intention to comply with all terms of the Administrative Order for Remedial Design and Remedial Action dated October 16, 1995 ("the Order") regarding the above-referenced Site. Although Decker agrees to submit to the Order without condition, Decker does so with the following reservations and expectations:

- 1. Decker maintains, and will continue to maintain, that it is not liable under 42 USC §9607(a)(3), or otherwise, in connection with the Site. Decker reserves all rights with respect to its obligations and responsibilities toward the Site and the right to challenge the Order in any appropriate forum at any appropriate time on any appropriate ground.
- 2. Decker disputes, and will continue to dispute, any determination or conclusion that it is responsible for the conditions at the Site or that it is liable for any response costs associated with the Site, including but not limited to, response costs incurred by the U.S. EPA or any other party.
- 3. Decker, as it has reiterated in numerous conversations with you, expects that the U.S. EPA will use its best efforts to locate, identify and notify other potentially responsible parties. These best efforts include, among other things,

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sending administrative orders by consent, information requests, and notice letters to any and all persons that are identified as potentially responsible for the conditions at or near the Site.

4. Decker believes it is important to reiterate that its financial circumstances may ultimately impact its ability to complete all of the tasks contemplated by the Order, particularly if additional parties are not joined.

Decker does not, by its compliance with this Order, otherwise admit any liability in this matter.

Yours very truly,

BULLEN, MOILANEN, KLAASEN & SWAN, P.Ç

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